

The Spire



Hello Park Place Family & Friends,

Spring has sprung and the signs are everywhere. Easter brought about great joy as we celebrated together the Resurrection of our Savior. We saw some old friends and had the opportunity to visit with extended family. All of this helps bring joy to our days!

Now, as we see the world around us springing back to life, we witness the gift of rebirth everywhere. Grass is turning green; trees and flowers are budding and peeking through the earth as the sun gets warmer. Days are longer and we begin spending more time outdoors.

May all of these things help to bring joy to your hearts and spirits and may we feel God's love and warmth everywhere!

Happy May!

God Bless You All!

Pastor Wayne



Worship Schedule

Please join us for Worship Service Sundays @ 10 a.m.!! All are welcome! Can't make it to worship? Tune in to Facebook for a live feed and it can be viewed anytime. YouTube viewing Mondays for later viewing!

If you would like to attend worship but need a ride, please call the church office no later than Friday 3p.m. and we will try to arrange transportation.

May 5th, 2024 Holy Communion/Sixth Sunday after Easter -10 a.m. - Pastor Wayne, leading worship, Cindy Boulay- lay reader, our Chancel Choir & Jane Bedia on keyboard. Communion servers: Anna Cote & Koami Zobinou. Greeters & Ushers: Terry May Neves & Ginny Platt.

May 12th, - 10 a.m. Seventh Sunday after Easter/Mother's Day - Pastor Wayne, Michael Ruo - lay reader, leading worship, with our Chancel Choir & Jane Bedia on keyboard. Greeters & Ushers: Anna Cote



May 19th, - 10 a.m. Pentecost Sunday - Pastor Wayne, leading worship; Koami Zobinou -lay reader; with our Chancel Choir & Jane Bedia on keyboard. Greeter/ Usher: Anna Cote

May 26th, - 10 a.m. Trinity Sunday - Pastor Wayne, leading worship; Maria Tavarozzi -lay reader; with our Chancel Choir & Jane Bedia on keyboard. Greeter/Usher: Jean Winnege & Koami Zobinou & Leah Apaloo



Anthem Dedication

On April 7th, the Anthem "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder," was given to the Glory of God by the Neves family in a loving birthday remembrance of Charles Wood.

On April 21st, the Anthem, "Can You Hear the Stars?" was given to the Glory of God by Sara Morrissette in honor of the Chancel Choir & Jane Bedia.

Baptism

On April 28, we welcomed into God's Family, Arthur Xavier Grennan, son of Thomas & Erika Grennan. May the Lord Bless Arthur and his family.

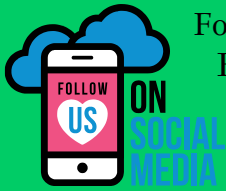


Sunday School Dates!!!!

Sunday school will meet on May 5 & 19, 10:15-11 a.m. Fun lessons activities to coincide with scripture.



Church New & Upcoming Events!



For those of you who cannot attend worship in-person, please join us live on Facebook at 10 a.m. or YouTube on Mondays. We continue offering weekly posts on Tuesdays: A Moment with Pastor Wayne, Thursdays: Words & Music with Pastor Wayne & Jane Bedia on keyboard; Saturdays: “Love Stories of Our Faith,” with D & Andy and Andrea & Sophia Padula on rotating weeks.



Save
the NEW
Date

NEW DATE: June 9, 2024- Family Fun Time! (see below)



- June 9, 2024, All – Church Potluck Luncheon & Game Afternoon! All Are Welcome!!!! What a GREAT DAY IT'S GOING TO BE!!!
- July 6, 2024 - Sinai Church - hall use.
- July Calendar Fundraiser - we'll be asking for gift card etc...donations soon.
- Pride Day Parade – activity to be planned – Sara Morrissette is our LGBTQ leader.
- 6 - week Bible study on the Book of James, with Bill McMillan. Date & time TBA
- Pasta Supper 9/28/24
- Chop Stick Auction in October. Co-chair's Kristine Gervais & Carlene Neves.
- Sara's Pie Sale – order forms will be available in November. Pickup Thanksgiving Sunday 11-24-2024.



Park Place Congregational UCC Missions

Please remember All are welcome to join any activity or just drop in to see what is going on!

Stop by the Thrift Shop! Thrift Shop hours are Wednesdays & Saturdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please do not leave your donations in front of the store, please bring in while we are open. Thank you for your attention. **NOTE:** We are now happily accepting your clean clothing. Please come into the Thrift Shop during open hours with your donations. Thank you.



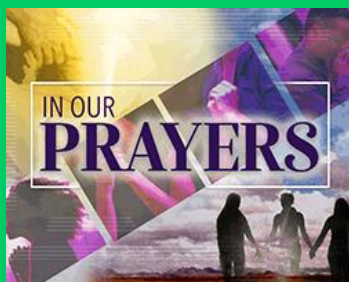
Prayer Shawl Ministry



Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is ongoing group, please continue to knit and crochet at home or come to our Prayer Shawl meeting on May 19th, from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Guild Room. Shawls can be either knitted or crocheted and should measure 25-30 inches wide and 70 inches in length. Thank you in advance for supporting our Prayer Shawl Ministry.

April Missions

One Egg Haiti collected \$92.90. Thank you everyone for your generosity!



Prayers & Concerns for Our Family

The following names are current however, if you would like to add your loved one's name to this prayer list, please contact the office via phone (401) 726-2800 or email office@ppucc.necoxmail.com. Thank you for your attention!

Please keep these people in your daily prayers: Diane; Mike & Joann; Greg - rehab; Mabel & Freddie's grandson; Maureen; Jean W.; Dorothy; Liz; Laurie – cancer; Zachary; Joey & Kelly; Barbara undergoing more testing; Nikki - cancer; Judy; Gregg in ICU with a brain bleed; Raymond; Steve – cancer; Gabi who's family & friends have been affected by the conflict. Rachel; Harry & Santa; Hope; Amy with mental health issues; Brenda; Laila 13 years old with leukemia & her parents George & Meagan.

Please continue prayers for:

...Prayers for our brothers & sisters in Israel & Palestine, all the innocent people in the middle east and around the world that are affected by this conflict.

...victims of our recent natural disasters & violence within our communities all over our nation.

... Our Ukraine brothers & sisters along with our world leaders.

...For peace in our nation, pray for our elected officials. We pray for unity as we show respect for each other, and adherence to the rule of law.

... For our country as we navigate our world of change, understanding, forgiveness, friendship and love.

... for the victims and families of domestic abuse, may the Lord give them strength to ask and receive help. Comfort them during their turmoil.

... our service men and women, and veterans both old and young who have served our country with honor and pride.

Continued prayers for our homebound family members and friends: Sylvia Kaufmann; friends at the Holiday Retirement Home and The Village at Waterman Lake.

Happy Birthday!!

Wishing you all a Happy May Birthday! Please consider sending a card, making a phone call or reaching out in some way to one of our birthday people! **NOTE:** If you are not listed in our birthday list please email or call the church office to let us know. Thank you.



1: Kaitlyn Usher
11: Jameson Medeiros
24: Darlene McMillan

2: Cal Ouellette
16: Kevin Sherry
28: Ethel Martel

2: Jon Mitchell
21: Megan Palumbo
30: Nancy Fox

Bible Quiz

What two rivers that we still know today are named in the Creation account in Genesis 2?

- A. Nile
- B. Yangtze
- C. Jordan
- D. Tigris
- E. Ganges
- F. Euphrates



Answer: D & F (See Genesis 2:10-14.)

Aflame with Faith



In the Old Testament, fire often symbolizes the presence of God's Spirit. For example, God called to Moses from a burning bush (Exodus 3:2-6) and defeated the prophets of Baal on Mount Carmel (1 Kings 18:30-39). In the New Testament, tongues of fire rested atop the believers gathered on Pentecost (Acts 2:3).

Some Christians have described a burning or current-like sensation when they encounter God. Methodism founder John Wesley said his heart was "strangely warmed" during worship. After such an encounter, people often feel compelled to share the Good News of Jesus. The flame of faith inside one believer can spark a revival of faith in others. As Charles Spurgeon said, "A burning heart will soon find for itself a flaming tongue."


Kid's Page

a fun Flower Frog

A flower frog sits atop a vase to help arrange flowers and hold stems in place. This personalized frog will become a favorite!



What you need:

- Air-dry clay
- Roller
- Vase (or jar)
- Plastic knife
- Straw
- Acrylic paint and brushes



What you do:

1. Roll out a portion of clay to about ½-inch thickness.
2. Cut out a circle that's slightly larger than the vase opening. (This will allow the finished frog to sit securely on top.)
3. To make holes for stems, use a straw to punch out circle shapes. If you make more than one frog, try arranging the holes in different patterns.
4. Let dry completely. Then personalize your work with acrylic paint.
5. When dry, place the frog atop the vase. Arrange flowers and greenery to make a Mother's Day bouquet.

PUZZLE

UNFADING BEAUTY

Peter says beauty shouldn't come from outward adornment. How does a godly woman adorn herself on the inside?

Directions: From each list, write the word that doesn't belong. Then insert the circled letters in order below to complete 1 Peter 3:4, NIV.

flower, stem, bee, leaf ○

pink, red, yellow, blue ○

mother, sister, brother, aunt ○

purple, dress, skirt, blouse ○

necklace, ring, bracelet, braid ○

diamond, emerald, heart, ruby ○

orange, cherry, potato, kiwi ○

my, our, she, your ○

faith, family, love, hope ○

sunny, rainy, snowy, temperature ○

cookie, cake, pie, sandwich ○

silver, white, gold, bronze ○

"Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a g _____ and qu _____ p _____, which is of great worth in God's sight." 1 Peter 3:4, NIV

Answers: bee, pink, brother, purple, braid, heart, potato, she, family, temperature, sandwich, sandy, quiet, spirit



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